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The Honorable William D. Quarles, Jr.  
United States District Judge  
United States District Court for the  
District of Maryland - Northern Division  
Garmatz Federal Courthouse  
101 W. Lombard Street  
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

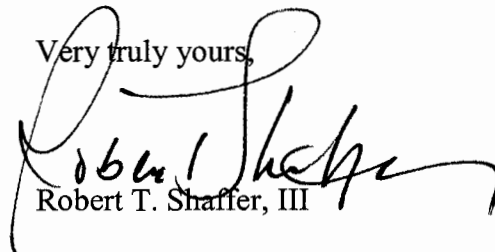
**Re: *Timothy E. Ayres v. Charles T. Capute, et al.***  
**Civil Action Number: WQ02CV0061**

Dear Judge Quarles:

I am writing to advise you that the parties have reached an agreement to resolve the referenced case, which is presently set for trial before the Court on August 30, 2004. We anticipate submitting a stipulation of dismissal shortly.

Thank you for your attention.

Very truly yours,



Robert T. Shaffer, III

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cc: Kevin William Gibson, Esquire